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1. EMBASSY VIENNA REQUESTS PRIORITY CONSIDERATION OF NOMINATION CHIEF OF AUSTRIAN CENTRAL NARCOTICS DEPT., DR. ERNST HOFFMANN, FOR EXECUTIVE OBSERVATION PROGRAM. DR. HOFFMANN HAS ENCOURAGED AND SUPPORTED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT WITH DEA AS WELL AS WITH OTHER EUROPEAN NARCOTICS CONTROL AGENCIES. HE IS IN CHARGE OF ONLY AUSTRIAN FEDERAL OFFICE RESPONSIBLE FOR DIRECTION/COORDINATION OF MAJOR NATIONAL AND ALL INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS INVESTIGATIONS, AS WELL AS NARCOTICS TRAINING OF ALL POLICE, CUSTOMS AND GENDARMERIE OFFICERS. DR. HOFFMANN HAS REPRESENTED AUSTRIAN NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT INTERESTS AT ALL CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS HELD IN EUROPE IN THE LAST THREE YEARS. HIS OFFICE HAS ASSISTED, AND CONTINUES TO SUPPORT, THE VIENNA DEA OFFICE'S EFFORTS TO DEVELOP LIAISON WITH POLICE AND CUSTOMS AGENCIES IN EASTERN EUROPE AND THE BALKANS.

2. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, AND IN CONSIDERATION OF PRIORITY INTERESTS OF DEA IN DEVELOPING LIAISON WITH COUNTERPARTS IN EE AND BALKANS, EMBASSY SUGGESTS CONSIDERATION OF DR. HOFFMANN FOR EXECUTIVE OBSERVATION PROGRAM IN U.S. THIS FALL. MEEHAN

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